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Mr. William Kucewicz
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Dear Mr. Kucewicz:

Thank you very much for sending me the Glasstone book. I was rather appalled to see it since it seems to me that publishing these scenarios inflicts a net public disservice by dramatizing the possibilities in a way that may become self-fulfilling! Surely there is a way to conduct policy discourse on such important matters without going so far in the direction of inflaming terrorist imagination.

I don't think there is anyone more concerned about the realization of those scenarios than I am; but I really do shrink from helping to make them happen.

One difficulty is of course to try to think through the measures that will help protect us. The publication of this book is not one of them.

Yours sincerely,

Joshua Lederberg
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*my mistake. It was the Livingstone/Dwyer
book I had in mind. I thought you
had sent it*
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